

BLACK NEWS.

CAPTURED AN ACTOR.

Scott, of "The South Before the War," a Small-pox Suspect.

May Have to Fumigate a Brooklyn Theatre.

Taken Away from a Theatrical Boarding-House.

Rufus L. Scott, a young negro, who was in a quartet in "The South Before the War," now being played at the Star Theatre, in Brooklyn, was quarantined this morning in Mme. Lord's theatrical boarding-house, at 29 Willoughby street, as a small-pox suspect.

The first intimation of the case reached the Health Department in a special letter received shortly after midnight from the Health Department of Baltimore, where the company played recently. The communication was opened by Chief Clerk O'Shea, of the Bureau of Contagious Diseases, and read thus:

"Look out for Rufus L. Scott, colored, a member of the theatrical company playing 'The South Before the War.' We are told that he is in your city, and is now at the Star Theatre. He left Baltimore a few days ago. It is supposed that he has small-pox."

Mr. O'Shea immediately started out to find the patient. After considerable trouble he located him at 29 Willoughby street. On entering the house he was told that Scott was not there. O'Shea closely questioned the man who opened the door, but he declared that he knew nothing of the case. The Bureau of Contagious Diseases, and read thus:

"The house was quarantined, and Scott will be taken to the Flatbush Hospital for observation."

At the Star Theatre this morning it was admitted that Scott had been on the stage last night, but he did not appear in the performance.

Chief Clerk O'Shea said this morning that he was not certain that Scott had the disease. He may have had it and fully recovered. At the present time there was no danger. Scott had the appearance of having fully recovered.

As a precautionary measure, the force of vaccinators would be sent to the theatre to-night to vaccinate all the members of the company.

Whether the theatre would be fumigated he could not say. Mr. O'Shea thought the patient may have had the disease in Baltimore. He did not travel with the company and did not arrive in Brooklyn until yesterday night. There was no reason to expect an outbreak of the disease among other people connected with the show.

LOHMANN PLEADS GUILTY.

Admits Two Thefts of \$100 Each, but Denies a Third.

Ex-Excise Cashier Remanded Until Tuesday for Sentence.

William D. Lohmann, defaulting cashier of the Brooklyn Excise Department, who was brought back from Canada a few days ago, pleaded guilty this morning in the Kings County Court of Sessions to two indictments, charging him with grand larceny.

To a third indictment for the same offense he answered "not guilty."

The crimes which he acknowledged he had committed were that on Jan. 4 he had received \$100 from Mahoney Brothers, saloon-keepers, for a first-class license, and had failed to turn over the money to the city, and on Jan. 10 he had received \$100 from a saloon-keeper named Seigelman for the same purpose.

The indictment to which he pleaded not guilty charged him with retaining a similar amount paid by Gustave Spiegle on Oct. 2, 1893.

Lawyer Thomas E. Pennell asked Judge Moore to inflict a light sentence. He prayed for an exemption for Lohmann's life, when Judge Moore stopped him and told him he better wait until Tuesday next, when the prisoner would be called up for sentence.

CLEVER CONFIDENCE TRICK.

A Grocer Robbed by a Man He Thought a Schoolmate.

John Heinehaus, a well-to-do grocer, of 47 Gold street, asked the Brooklyn Police to look out for an impostor, a man who succeeded in stealing \$100 from him.

The man represented himself as Herman Boite, of the ship Eclair, lying in the Erie Basin, and ordered \$500 worth of provisions for the ship.

Boite said he came to Heinehaus's place because they were both born in the same town in Germany, and finally convinced the grocer that they had been schoolmates together.

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SAYS HIS MOTHER WAS BEATEN

McCarthy Thinks She Was Clubbed to Death in a Hospital.

May Make Charges Against the Kings County Institution.

David F. McCarthy, a sugar sampler for commission merchants, who lives at 2 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, makes grave charges against the Kings County Hospital at Flatbush, in connection with the death of his mother, Margaret McCarthy, which occurred there April 20 last.

McCarthy says that he has reason to believe that his mother was clubbed to death.

"I took her to the hospital on April 5," he says, "and when I called to see her on the two subsequent Sundays I was denied admission. The reason assigned for this was that the patients were quarantined on account of small-pox. Other visitors, however, were admitted, and I learned that the quarantine rule was never enforced in the case of relatives. But for some reason which I could not understand at the time, but which now seems clear enough, they would not permit me to share this privilege."

"On April 21 I received notice that my mother had died the day before. To my surprise, when I called at the hospital, I was not allowed to see my mother's body. Dr. John A. Arnold, the medical superintendent of the hospital, told me that the rule prescribed that nobody should see the dead until the undertaker had prepared them for burial."

"But she was my mother," I exclaimed, "and I know that this rule, like the one relating to the quarantine, is not always enforced. You certainly won't enforce it in the case of a man who comes to see the dead body of his mother."

"Well, I can't allow you to see it," replied Dr. Arnold, McCarthy states.

"I returned later that same day with eight friends and undertaker Matthews of Hamilton avenue and Coles street. The body had by that time been prepared and my companions and I were permitted to gaze upon its face."

"What I saw struck me speechless. The left eye was blackened and swollen, the mouth was distorted out of shape, and looked as if the jaw-bone had been broken, and on the face there was a general expression of agony. My friends and I could draw only one conclusion from all this, namely, that my mother had been beaten to death in the hospital."

"The Evening World" reporter called at the hospital yesterday. Supt. Arnold was not in. The physician in charge, however, said that Mrs. McCarthy was insane when taken to the hospital."

"She and her daughter were brought here together," he said. "The daughter was removed to the insane asylum at once, while Mrs. McCarthy was kept in the insane reception ward for observation. Her mind wandered and she spoke in a rambling, often incoherent, way. Sometimes she grew violent. During such a frenzy one night, she leaped from her bed and fell face downward to the floor. In falling she struck her eye against a chair that stood beside her bed. My attention was called to this the day after it happened. As far as I could judge the blow on the eye did not amount to much."

When told that the physician in charge had said, McCarthy exclaimed: "Why, my mother lost her only daughter thirty years ago, and for my mother's insanity, there is no truth in it. She was perfectly sane when she entered the hospital, nor had she at any time shown signs of insanity."

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M'LAUGHLIN BLAMED.

Brooklyn Police Criticise the Inspector's Drilling Methods.

Navy-Yard Parade Ground Prolific of Heat Prostrations.

A Sergeant and a Patrolman Overcome There Yesterday.

Police captains, sergeants and patrolmen were about the Brooklyn Headquarters this morning, expressing their dissatisfaction over the alleged lack of judgment displayed by Inspector Patrick H. McLaughlin in drilling the force for the police parade, which is to take place, May 26.

The inspector, the men say, does not seem to grasp the limit of their endurance in drilling, because while they are maneuvering on foot, he sits astride a fine horse giving orders.

As a result, it is said, two of the men drilling in yesterday's platoon are on the sick list to-day.

The dissatisfaction among the captains and their men began to assert itself when Inspector McLaughlin selected the parade ground at the Marine Barracks in the Navy-Yard for the drills. This ground the men say, with out exaggeration, is the hottest location in Brooklyn, and a poorer place for drilling purposes could not have been selected.

The barracks surround the ground, so that little or no breeze is felt, and it is exposed to the sun for the greater part of the day. During the drill yesterday, it is said, the thermometer on the grounds registered 85 degrees.

Inspector McLaughlin kept 600 men drilling continuously for several hours, and before the drill was half over the men began to show signs of fatigue.

Patrolman Osterly, of the Stagg street station, finally appealed to Capt. Evans to ask the inspector to allow the men to rest.

"We can't stand this work much longer," said the patrolman. "I feel sick already," he continued.

Capt. Evans, who was in the barracks, excused Patrolman Osterly. The sick policeman left the ranks. He had hardly reached a shady spot for rest when he fainted. He was revived and sent home with another patrolman, who also complained of feeling ill.

A short time after Osterly had been taken home, Sgt. Sturgeon, of the Atlantic avenue station, dropped in the ranks. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and subsequently removed to his home in a cab.

A physician, who was called from the barracks of the Navy-Yard, after examining Sgt. Sturgeon, said that he thought he was suffering from a slight sunstroke.

Five hundred policemen in another battalion will be drilled to-day at the same place by Inspector McLaughlin. The captains of the Second Battalion were viewing the mercury in the thermometer at headquarters this morning with considerable anxiety.

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